AMENDMENT TO THE COMMITTEE PRINT OFFERED BY MR. STEARNS

Separate fleet calculation

Page 3, after line 14, insert the following:

1	(c) Application of Requirement of Separate
2	CALCULATIONS FOR DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN FLEETS.—
3	(1) STUDY.—The Administrator of the National
4	Highway Traffic Safety Administration shall con-
5	duct a study on the requirement of separate fuel
6	economy calculations for automobiles manufactured
7	domestically and not domestically contained in sec-
8	tion 32904(b) of title 49, United States Code. Such
9	study shall—
10	(A) assess the effects of such requirement
11	on employment within the automobile industry
12	in the United States;
13	(B) assess the effects of such requirement
14	on overall passenger automobile fuel economy;
15	(C) determine the degree to which such re-
16	quirement encourages manufacturers to alter
17	their automobiles in order to meet automobile
18	fuel efficiency standards for both domestic and
19	foreign manufactured automobiles;



1	(D) examine the effect of requirements of
2	the North American Free Trade Agreement on
3	the operation of such requirement;
4	(E) determine whether such requirement
5	has resulted in additional costs to automobile
6	consumers; and
7	(F) determine whether such requirement
8	has promoted increased manufacturing of
9	smaller, more fuel-efficient cars in the United
10	States.
11	(2) APPLICATION.—In calculating the average
12	fuel economy of passenger automobiles after model
13	year 2007, the Administrator of the Environmental
14	Protection Agency shall not apply the requirement of
15	separate fuel economy calculations for automobiles
16	manufactured domestically and not domestically con-
17	tained in section 32904(b) of title 49, United States
18	Code, unless the study required under paragraph (1)
19	concludes that applying such requirement-
20	(A) has a positive impact on total employ-
21	ment within the automobile industry in the
22	United States; or
23	(B) results in increased overall passenger
24	automobile fuel economy



1	(3) Report and sense of congress.—Not
2	later than 180 days after the date of enactment of
3	this Act, the Administrator of the National Highway
1	Traffic Safety Administration shall transmit a re-
5	port to Congress and to the Administrator of the
5	Environmental Protection Agency on the conclusions
7	of the study.

